

**Scholar of global distinction student activity**

**Understanding China’s role in climate change – and climate solutions**

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| **Name:**  | **Date:**  |
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| **Instructions:** Scholar of Global Distinction students will have an opportunity to earn 4 hours towards the 8-hour international activity requirement of the Scholar of Global Distinction program if they complete sections I, II and III below by **April 1, 2023**. The completed should be turned in to the respective Scholar of Global Distinction campus liaison. **Reading:**Stalley, P. (2022): China’s climate change record: Beijing tends to meet its targets, but sets the bar too low.**Retrieved from:** https://theconversation.com/chinas-climate-change-record-beijing-tends-to-meet-its-targets-but-sets-the-bar-too-low-172138**TEDx talk:** Hsu, A. (2018): [How China is (and isn't) fighting pollution and climate change](https://www.ted.com/talks/angel_hsu_how_china_is_and_isn_t_fighting_pollution_and_climate_change?language=en)**Retrieved from:**https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VlHiEN1zTKI |

**Section I:** Watch the TEDx talk [How China is (and isn't) fighting pollution and climate change](https://www.ted.com/talks/angel_hsu_how_china_is_and_isn_t_fighting_pollution_and_climate_change?language=en) and read the article [China’s climate change record: Beijing tends to meet its targets, but sets the bar too low](https://theconversation.com/chinas-climate-change-record-beijing-tends-to-meet-its-targets-but-sets-the-bar-too-low-172138)

**Section II:** Answer the following discussion questions about the article and TEDx talk:

* What are your overall reactions to both the article and the TEDx talk?
* What do you believe is the significance of China and the United States declaring their shared commitment to working together to combat climate change?
* What are the opportunities and challenges to combating climate change in China and the United States?

**Section III:** Attend and engage with UNC Professor Angel Hsu on Friday, February 24th from 11:00 am to 12:00 pm. Write a one-paragraph reflection summarizing what you have learned from the presentation and discussion with Professor Angel Hsu.